

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 13, please replace the paragraph starting at line 15 with the following paragraph:

Fig. 8B is a view showing a cross section taken on line A - A which is a portion of the pressure retaining part, and Fig. 8C is a view showing a cross section taken on line B - B which is a portion of the introducing part. The cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the pressure retaining part and that (not including the aperture) of the introducing part equal to each other.

On page 17, please replace the paragraph starting at line 33 with the following paragraph:

In the case of press-fit terminal P shown in Fig. 2A, in order to make an intensity of the elastic force of the introducing part lower than an intensity of the elastic force of the pressure retaining part, the length of the aperture, which is long in the axial direction, is extended toward the forward end part compared with the length of the aperture provided in the conventional terminal shown by the broken line. When the aperture is composed as described above, compared with the conventional press-fit terminal shown in Fig. 8A in which the cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the pressure retaining part is the same as that (not including the aperture) of the introducing part, in the case of the press-fit terminal of this embodiment shown in Fig. 2A, as shown in Fig. 2C, the cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the introducing part taken on line B - B is smaller than the cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the pressure retaining part.

On page 18, please replace the paragraph starting at line 12 with the following paragraph:

According to the press-fit terminal of this embodiment shown in Fig. 2A, when the cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the introducing part is reduced to smaller than the cross-sectional area (not including the aperture) of the pressure retaining part, an intensity of the elastic force of the introducing part is reduced. Therefore, the maximum value of stress shown

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on the generated stress curve in Fig. 1C can be reduced. The press-fit terminal of this embodiment is defined as Embodiment 1, and the load curve is shown in Fig. 4. Compared with the load curve of the conventional press-fit terminal, it is possible to reduce a generation of the load by the introducing part. Therefore, it is possible to suppress the occurrence of damage of the board in the case of press-fitting. Concerning the elastic force of the pressure retaining part, it is possible to ensure a necessary intensity of the holding force without changing the press-fit margin of the press-fit terminal of the prior art.